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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 September 2005.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 09/112,767.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

2. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because it is non-enabling. Applicant's claim 1 requires the inkjet printhead include the features of drive circuitry, a plurality of ink inlet channels and nozzle arrangements, a passive nozzle chamber structure, a dynamic nozzle chamber structure, and an elongate micro-electromechanical actuator, however the active process steps do not include a method for forming these features.
3. Claims 2-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because they are dependent on a non-enabled base claim.

Terminal Disclaimer

4. The terminal disclaimer filed on Sept. 19, 2005, disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent No. 6,502,306 (Silverbrook) has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

Response to Arguments

5. In view of Applicant's Terminal Disclaimer, filed Sept. 19, 2005, the rejection of claims 1-6 under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting has been withdrawn.

6. Applicant's arguments (Applicant's Remarks, pages 3-5), filed Sept. 19, 2005, have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant's arguments with respect to the enabling disclosure in the Specification for the drive circuitry, a plurality of ink inlet channels and nozzle arrangements, a passive nozzle chamber structure, a dynamic nozzle chamber structure, and an elongate micro-electromechanical actuator have been noted (pages 3-5), however, claim 1 continues to lack essential steps. Specifically, the preamble of claim 1 contains a detailed description of many structural features, such as drive circuitry, a plurality of ink inlet channels and nozzle arrangements, a passive nozzle chamber structure, a dynamic nozzle chamber structure, and an elongate micro-electromechanical actuator (non-exhaustive list). However, claim 1 does not contain any limitations as to how these structural features (e.g., drive circuitry, a plurality of ink inlet channels and nozzle arrangements, a passive nozzle chamber structure, a dynamic nozzle chamber structure, and an elongate micro-electromechanical actuator) are manufactured.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Eric B. Chen whose telephone number is (571) 272-

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2947. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8AM to 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nadine G. Norton can be reached on (571) 272-1465. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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